# TELECONFERENCE MINUTES October 16, 2012 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE 1400 West Washington, Basement Conference Room B-1

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Reverend Katherine Shindel, President

John Munden, Secretary Samuel Bueler, Member James Ahearne, Member Kristina Dyrr, Member Harold Adair, Member

**TELECONFERENCE:** Monsignor O'Keeffe, Member

**STAFF PRESENT:** Rodolfo Thomas, Executive Director

Alex Estrada, Licensing Administrator

Patricia Keith, Programs & Project Specialist

# ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Nancy Beck, Asst. Attorney General

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Reverend Katherine Shindel called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

# I. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

### II. COMMITTEE MEETING/TASK FORCE

Kurtis Lauffer opened the committee meeting with an overview of the initial meeting formulating the idea for recreation of the apprentice program. Mr. Lauffer also stated that proposed language is scheduled to be prepared during the first week in November. Discussion included such items as considering the applicant to be part of the registration process and not that of a licensed person. Should the registered person be paid? Additionally, how many hours will be required and what will be the length of the program? Committee members also did not want the new position to extend into providing credentials in lieu of attendance in school. The committee was very vocal with their concern that this proposed position cannot interfere with current interns in their quest for work. The idea that the number of hours required of interns could be reduced from 40 hour to 20 hours would maybe assist perspective funeral homes into hiring these interns during these bleak economic times. Board Chairperson Katherine Shindel motioned that a subcommittee be established seconded by Board member James Ahearne. Motion passed 7-0.

# III. ADJOURN There being no other business, Reverend Shindel moved to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. James Ahearne seconded the motion. (7-0). Rodolfo Thomas Executive Director APPROVED BY: Reverend Katherine Shindel, President John Munden, Secretary James Ahearne, Member Samuel Bueler, Member

Kristina Dyrr, Member

Harold Adair, Member

Monsignor O'Keeffe, Member